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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner
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Sir:

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Prior to calculation of the fee and examination on the merits of the above-identified patent application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 2, 5 and 6 to read as follows:

- A1
1. (Amended) An albumin preparation containing amino acids